

Reading Plus in Key Stage 2

From Year 3 onwards, pupils here at Hale CEVC Primary School have access to Reading Plus. This is an online reading programme which develops a child's reading and supports their journey through the written word.

After a through initial diagnostic assessment, Reading Plus creates a personalised programme for learners, where progress is constantly tracked. Reading Plus focuses on the specific skills that pupils need to develop in order to reach age-related expected standards. Pupil's aspirations are set high and they receive regular rewards to encourage, motivate and recognise achievements.

Reading Plus tracks pupil progress and adapts the scheme of work accordingly to support an individual's learning needs. Teachers have the opportunity to assess the pupils up to three times a school year in Reading Plus – as well as evidencing impact, teachers can use this data to respond to specific needs within their classroom tuition.

Through the wide range of texts available in the Reading Plus programme, pupils are frequently made aware of the connectedness within the curriculum and the relevance of reading across subject areas.

In Reading Plus, much of the data analysis, planning, marking, reporting and necessary admin tasks are performed by the program of reading Solutions UK consultants. This reduces teacher workload, enabling more time for direct teaching to meet identified needs.

Reading Plus gives pupils an opportunity to practise a range of skills and revisit learned knowledge via a personalised programme. Children are focused and have a clear understanding of what is expected to progress through to the expected level as well as having any specific needs identified. Reading Plus significantly increases children's reading rate, improved their ability to comprehend and trains them to concentrate for longer periods; it develops their love of reading, as the texts are personalised and children have a large degree of choice with the texts they access. Children's confidence also thrives after a short introduction to the scheme, which has a positive effect of encouraging further reading for pleasure.

A final advantage of the programme is that Reading Plus can be accessed at home and children's general trackable exposure to reading is significantly enhances both at home and in school.